





Tuesday Morning, Jan. 16, 1886.

## To Advertisers &amp; the Public

**THE DAILY BRITISH COLONIST**, published every morning (Sundays excepted), is the largest and most widely circulated journal in Her Majesty's Possessions on the Continent. It is published at the office of the Proprietor, 100, Queen's Road, Victoria, B.C.

**THE WEEKLY BRITISH COLONIST**, published every Tuesday, will be mailed or left at the residence of the Subscribers, ready for mailing, at 25 cents per week, payable to the carrier.

**JOB PRINTING.** THE BRITISH COLONIST PRINTING COMPANY, having received a large addition to their stock of new and beautiful types, will execute orders for a large amount of business and domestic printing, at a slight advance on San Francisco prices.

## BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES.

In future all notices of Births, Deaths, and Marriages intended for insertion in this paper, will be paid at the following rates: For Births and Marriages, \$1.50; for Deaths, \$1.00, with funeral notice \$1.50.

## THE ESTIMATES.

The principle of retrenchment which was inaugurated by the House on Friday last pervaded the debates in the Assembly yesterday. The judicial department was still further curtailed, and a very great reduction was made in the police department. The salary of the stipendiary magistrate was reduced from \$2250 to \$1750, and a resolution was passed placing the office under the control of the civil authorities, so soon as a proper Incorporation Bill shall have been passed. The salary of the police clerk was voted in a similar manner; but it is more than probable that the town clerk, under a new state of municipal affairs, will do the work of the police clerk, so that a greater saving will really be effected than the amount which at present appears. The principal discussion yesterday was on this transfer of the stipendiary magistrate to the municipality. The old arguments about law and order, and the necessity of having some person in the office under Executive control, instead of under the control of the people, were brought forward, but in vain. The House took a more hopeful view of the intelligence of the community and the independence of men elected to public positions. The Nanaimo stipendiary magistrate was struck out, with the understanding that an unpaid justice of the peace should be appointed until the town shall possess municipal institutions. We are glad to see the House gradually coming round to the idea that the people of Vancouver Island are quite capable of taking care of themselves, and that the sooner the full principle of local government is established throughout the colony the better. The Sooke magistrate was subjected to the same fate as his brother officer of Nanaimo. Nothing could show better the burlesque of this office than the humorous description which Mr. Carswell gave yesterday of the amount of magisterial business transacted at Sooke, the character of it when it was transacted, and the sum which the sinecure had cost the colony. The coolness with which the Executive sends such an estimate down to the House is almost worthy of our admiration. But one case, says Mr. Carswell, was tried during the year, and it had to be re-adjudicated upon, costing the colony an additional \$200—making in all \$1900 a year thrown away. And we are naively called upon by the Executive to pay for a repetition of the farce, at a time when every one is striving to economize to the utmost.

The reduction in the police estimate is, as we have said, very large. The \$13,992 has been cut down to \$5,750. This department, like that of the magistracy, is to be turned over to the civil authorities. It is really time that the change should take place; for of all the cumbersome, expensive and useless pieces of machinery, this certainly bears the palm. If we dressed up a scavenger in court costume we could not possibly make out a more ludicrous spectacle than the tinselled hobby which has been foisted on the people of Victoria for the performance of the very simple duty of looking after the peace and order of the city.

The particulars of yesterday's reduction are briefly shown in the subjoined table:

Department.	Govt. Estimate.	Amount Saved.	Amount Remaining.
Magistrate, Vic.	\$2250	\$1750	\$500
Magistrate, Sooke	1700	1700	0
Clerk to do.	1000	1000	0
Magistrate, Nanaimo	1700	1700	0
Clerk to do.	500	500	0
Magistrate, Sooke	1700	1700	0
Police Expenses.	300	300	0
Superintendent of Police	1757	1757	0
Inspector do.	1200	1200	0
Sergeants, Constables, &c.	11053	4550	6503
Gaols	6006	6006	0

Total.....\$28,018 \$15,495 \$12,523

It will be seen by the above that the amount saved or reduced yesterday by the House is \$12,523; adding this to Saturday's result, and we have the very large sum of \$33,717 saved to the country. The total amount of the official estimates which have so far come up before the members is \$73,911; and but \$41,214 of this has been voted. What the action of the House of Assembly will be on the large amounts put down in the estimates under the head "Exclusive of Establishments," it would be difficult to say, but we expect very material reductions in the various items, especially those comprised in the words "petty expenses" and "contingencies." It is from these "petty expenses" that the House of Assembly has been enabled to pay officials whose salaries were never voted by the House. Several resolutions which the House passed last session, for the purpose of economizing, were quietly put aside by the Executive, and officers which were struck out or amalgamated were allowed to go on undisturbed. The disgraceful shuffling which was made of the office of Superintendent and Inspector of Police would, in any other colony, have led to nothing less than the removal of the Governor who made himself a party to it. As it is, His Excellency will have every reason to be thankful if he is not obliged to pay out of his own pocket, every farthing that has been spent for the year 1885 which was not duly authorized by the House of Assembly. Representative bodies, however small, are not sham, and the Assembly of Vancouver Island has no case to make in money matters over the Governor as the greatest representative assembly in the colonial empire has over its Executive hand. It is in this connection that Governor Kennedy stands in so precarious a position. He has not one duty and, despite his being a representative of the sovereign, that duty is in the present instance to obey. The people of

Vancouver Island say they are both unwilling and unable to support the expensive establishments which the Governor asks them to maintain—they draw out their programme of economy and submit it to the Executive. Let the latter body beware of the madness which the ancient tell us always precedes destruction. The people are bound to have their own way, if all the Governors between this and the Colonial Office were determined on the contrary. They are bound to pay just as much as they please to the support of the Governor, and they are bound to maintain their representative institutions inviolate. If Governor Kennedy values public approbation, if he values his position, if he values his future prospects and advancement, he will do well to avoid coming into collision with the inhabitants of Vancouver Island—he will do well to drive away the vipers that are lurking him, by foolish advice, to his own destruction. We say this sincerely, with the best feeling for His Excellency, and in the hope that he will the present year regain by popular acts that good opinion which the inhabitants, a year and a half ago, had of him and his administration.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## CLOSING OUT SALE.

## Groceries LIQUORS! AUCTION.

**P. M. BACKUS**  
Has been instructed by MESSRS.  
Weissenburger & Schlosser  
To sell their entire Stock of  
Groceries & Liquors.  
—ON—  
Tuesday, 23d instant,  
AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M.,  
AT THEIR STORE,  
Corner of Bastion and Wharf streets.  
The stock consists of every variety of  
Case Goods,  
Such as  
Oysters, Lobsters, Green Corn, Honey,  
Peaches, Peas, Dried Apples,  
Roast Turkey, Roast Beef, Roast  
Mutton, assorted Sauces, Sardines,  
Yeast Powders, Tomato Catchup,  
Pickles, Chocolate, Ginger, Sago,  
Cloves, etc., etc.

## REMOVAL.

**SCOTCH HOUSE.**  
A notice that they have removed their place of business to the new and commodious  
BRICK BUILDING  
TWO DOORS NEARER  
Government Street.  
Fort Street, 15th December, 1885.  
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## NOTICE.

**THE BUSINESS OF THE UNDER-SIGNED** will be carried on here and in London under the style and firm of **ESLBY, LAY & DURHAM**, to whom all outstanding accounts are to be paid.  
GEORGE J. FINDLAY.  
Victoria, V. I., December 15th, 1885.  
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Containing the fullest and most reliable news, local and foreign, mining, social, political, commercial and marine intelligence.  
Price 25 cents. To be had at the newspaper office, or at the Booksellers.

## Rifle Volunteer Corps.

General Orders for the Week ending Saturday, 20th January.  
No. 1 Company on Monday, at the Drill Hall, at 8 p.m.  
No. 2 Company on Tuesday, at the Drill Hall, at 8 p.m.  
Recruit Drill—Friday, at 8 p.m., at Drill Hall.  
By order, J. GORDON WINTER, Lieut. and Adjutant.

## Artisan Gold Mining Company, (Limited).

**THE ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** of the above Company will be held at the Chamber of Commerce Hall, Smith's Building, Government Street, on **WEDNESDAY (Tuesday), 10th instant, at 3 o'clock, p.m.**  
J. P. CRANFORD, Secretary.  
Victoria, V. I., January 9, 1886.  
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## KEATING'S COUGH LOZENGES.

JUDGED BY THE IMMENSE DEMAND, this Lozenge is the best in the world for all kinds of coughs and colds; it is a most valuable remedy, and is sold in every British Colony, and throughout India and China they have been highly esteemed wherever introduced. For Coughs, Asthma, and all other affections of the Throat and Chest, they are the most agreeable and efficacious remedy.  
Prepared and sold in Boxes, Tins, and Bottles of various sizes, by **THOMAS KEATING, Chemist**, at 25, St. Paul's Churchyard, London. Sold Retail by all Druggists and Patent Medicine Vendors in the world.

## BANKRUPT STOCK!

—OF—  
**WM. BROWN.**  
—OF—  
**Wm. Wilson**  
—OF—  
**GOVERNMENT STREET,**  
Having bought the above Stock of  
**CLOTHING!**  
—AT—  
**42½ per cent. off Auction Cost,**  
WILL SELL THE SAME ON  
**SATURDAY,**  
AND FOLLOWING DAYS, AT  
**ALARMING PRICES!!**  
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## AUCTION. THE 'NEW IDEA'

Corner of Government and Johnson Streets.  
**OPEN NIGHTLY.**  
AT EIGHT O'CLOCK.  
With MISS JENNY ALLEN, LITTLE NELL.  
Mr. Thomas Lafont, George Marsh, S. Raymond, Dan Watson, R. A. Reeves, Mr. Hilliard, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Sheridan, Mr. Benny, and a full Company, in  
Sentimental & Comic Singing!  
Negro Minstrelsy!!  
Laughable Farces!!!  
Negro Acts!!!!  
BURLESQUE THEATRICALS  
AND OPERAS.  
Programme Changed Nightly.  
A pleasant place to pass the time between the hours of eight and eleven o'clock in the evening.  
ADMISSION, 25 cents; Chairs, 50 cents; Private Boxes, \$5.  
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## FOR ADELAIDE!

SOUTH AUSTRALIA,  
**DIRECT.**  
The splendid British Ship  
**"Southern Cross,"**  
CAPT. C. MACDONALD,  
Will sail  
ABOUT THE 10th OF FEBRUARY.  
Has excellent accommodation for a limited number of Passengers. Saloon 35 feet by 12 feet. Large Cabin with Bath Room attached.  
For further particulars apply to  
J. ROBERTSON STEWART,  
Victoria, V. I., 11th January, 1886.  
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## NOTICE.

**Real Estate Assessment.**  
ALL PERSONS, OWNERS OF REAL ESTATE in any Electoral District, are requested to make a return of the value of their property, as assessed for the purposes of the Rating Act, 1885, to the Assessors, on or before the 1st day of February next.  
CHARLES G. WYLLY, Assessor.  
Victoria, V. I., January 1st, 1886.  
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## SCHEDULE A.

Admission to Property and where situated, Town or District, or Section, No. of Block or Lot, No. of Shares.

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## FOR SALE.

**A THOROUGHbred DURHAM BULL,** BIRMINGHAM THREE.  
J. D. FLEMING, Cottingham, Pa., V. I.  
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## UNDERTAKING.

**THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING** a complete set of tools, and a large stock of materials, and being prepared to undertake any order for the preparation of coffins, and the removal of the dead, and the interment of the same, at the most reasonable rates.  
The Trade Supplied.  
B. LEWIS, Corner of Government and Johnson Streets, j16

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## NOTICE.

**THE GENTLEMAN WHO TOOK THE** Gold-mined spectacles from a house on Pandora street, is requested to return the same to the owner, or that person will be obliged to call for them himself.  
CHAS. E. REDFERN, Secretary.  
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## VICTORIA TURN VEREIN.

**MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED THAT** Mr. E. Devine will, during the winter, be in charge, and that the club hours will be from 8 to 10 o'clock on Monday and Tuesday evenings.  
By order of the President,  
CHAS. E. REDFERN, Secretary.  
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## NOTICE.

**WILLIAM BROWN (A STEWARD)**, late of San Francisco, collector of San Francisco and Alameda Streets, is requested to call on the office of the British Consul, j16

## Harewood Railway Company, Limited.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE** Harewood Railway Company (Limited), have applied to the Legislature of the Colony of Vancouver Island for an Act to extend the time limited by the "Harewood Railway Company Act, 1884," for the completion of the works, for one year. The petition has been duly filed with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, and the Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PEAKES & GREEN, Agents for the Harewood Railway Company, (Limited). j16

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**THE PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE EXISTING** between Adam Watson and David Edwards, trading under the name of WATSON & EDWARDS, corner Yates and Douglas streets, is this day dissolved by mutual consent.  
J. D. Edwards will continue the business, assume all liabilities and debts contracted by the late firm, and collect all accounts.  
A. WATSON, D. EDWARDS.  
All persons indebted to the late







